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SUBJ: VISIT OF FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER BIRO

REF: BUDAPEST 2691

1. COMMERCE WORKING ON PROGRAM FOR BIRO VISIT.

IN ADDITION TO SEC DENT, WE ENVISION IBIRO

MEETING WITH LEADING OFFICIALS OF DEPARTMENTS

OF TREASURY, AGRICULTURE, STATE, CIEP AND FRANK ZARB, ASSOCIATE

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DIR, OMB. MEETING ON HILL WILL BE ARRANGED IF CONGRESS

IS IN SESSION WHEN BIRO IS IN WASHINGTON.

2. WE WOULD EXPECT THAT FOLLOWING BROAD SUBJECTS
WOULD BE RAISED BY US SIDE DURING BIRO VISIT:

(1) BUSINESS FACILITATION, INCLUDING NEW HUNGARIAN
FOREIGN TRADE LAW; (2) UPDATE ON COOPERATION AND
JOINT VENTURES; (3) MAJOR INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS
OPEN TO US FIRMS (FOR EXAMPLE, DANUBE WATER
STAGE PROJECT), INCLUDING NEW FIVE-YEAR PLAN;
(4) BONDS OUTSTANDING. WE ASSUME BOTH SIDES WILL
WANT TO DISCUSS PAST PERFORMANCE AND FUTURE
PROSPECTS OF US-HUNGARIAN TRADE.

3. REQUEST EMBASSY CONVEY ABOVE TO BIRO AND GET
HIS REACTION. WE ARE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN
KNOWING WHAT SUBJECTS HE PLANS TO RAISE IN
WASHINGTON AND WHAT OTHER PERSONS, IF ANY, HE WOULD
LIKE TO MEET HERE. WE UNDERSTAND HUNGARIAN EMBASSY
AND TRADE OFFICE WILL HANDLE PROGRAMMING OF BIRO
OUTSIDE WASHINGTON, BUT WE WILL COORDINATE WITH
EMBASSY.

4. EMBASSY WILL NOTE, WE HAVE NOT INCLUDED CALL AT
EXIM BANK AT THIS POINT, BECAUSE OF THE UNCERTAIN
NATURE OF EXIM BANK AUTHORIZING LEGISLATION. IT
SHOULD THEREFORE NOT BE RAISED WITH BIRO. IF BIRO,
HOWEVER, REQUESTS MEETING WITH CHAIRMAN CASEY, YOU
MAY TELL HIM THAT YOU WILL COMMUNICATE HIS REQUEST
TO WASHINGTON. WE WILL THEN TAKE IT UNDER CONSIDERATION.

5. TENTATIVE SOCIAL SCHEDULE IS AS FOLLOWS: NOV
19: LUNCHEON HOSTED BY ZARB; EVENING FUNCTION AT
KENNEDY CENTER HOSTED BY SEC DENT. NOV 20;
LUNCHEON NOT FIRM YET; WE ASSUME HUNGARIAN AMBASSADOR
WILL WISH TO HOLD RECEPTION IN EVENING.

6. PLEASE CABLE ITINERARY AND COMPOSITION BIRO
PARTY AS SOON AS IT IS AVAILABLE. KISSINGER

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